FY 03 General Fund Budget Summary

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FY 03 Budget Update

- Budget Review
- Revenue Shortfall
- Unbudgeted Expenses
- Unbudgeted Receipts
- Reduced Expenditures /Cost-Saving Measures
- Federal Fiscal Relief
- Budget Reserve Trust Fund

FY 03 General Fund Budget Summary (\$Millions)

Resources	
Beginning Balance	\$ 23.5
Continued Appropriations	\$ 107.2
Consensus Forecast Revenues	\$6,859.2
Tobacco Settlement Revenues	\$ 127.0
Fund Transfers	\$ 327.2
Total Resources	\$7,444.1
Expenditures	\$7,202.9
Reserve for Continued Appropriations	\$ 102.5
Undesignated Fund Balance	\$ 138.7

The FY 03 Problem:

(\$Millions)

Revenue Shortfall	\$ 75.7
Unbudgeted Expenses	
Necessary Govt. Expenses	\$ 8.4
Other	\$ 2.1
Budgeted Lapse	\$ 3.7
Total Shortfall	\$ 89.9

Note: Total NGE's in FY 03 were \$14 Million.

The FY 03 Solution:

(\$Millions)

Reduced Expenditures	
Unbudgeted Lapses	\$ 35.4
Severance Tax Appropriation Reductions	\$ 3.2
Additional Resources	
Excess Tobacco Receipts	\$ 3.8
Excess Fund Transfers	\$ 2.6
Federal Fiscal Relief	\$ 68.7
Total Solutions	\$ 113.7

FY 03 General Fund Close-Out Summary (\$Millions)

Resources	
Beginning Balance	\$ 23.5
Continued Appropriations	\$ 107.2
General Fund Revenues	\$6,783.5
Tobacco Settlement Revenues	\$ 130.8
Fund Transfers	\$ 329.8
Federal Fiscal Relief	\$ 68.7
Total Resources	\$7,443.5
Expenditures	\$7,178.8
Reserve for Continued Appropriations	\$ 102.2
Undesignated Fund Balance	\$ 162.5

The Result

- Ending Balance \$23.8 Million Over Budgeted Amount
- Surplus Expenditure Plan Triggered
- All Surplus Funds to be Deposited to the Budget Reserve Trust Fund

Budget Reserve Trust Fund

◆FY 03 Appropriation	\$ 5.1
FY 04 Surplus Plan Appropriation	\$23.8
FY 04 Appropriation	\$25.9
◆FY 04 Fund Balance	\$54.8

Note: The BRTF is the Source for Payment of NGE's in FY 04, estimated to be \$15 million.

Implications for FY 04 "The Good News"

- ◆Began the Year As Planned with \$138.7 Million
- Will Receive \$68.7 Million FY 04 Federal Fiscal Relief in October
- *\$54.8 Million Balance in the Budget Reserve Trust Fund

Implications for FY 04 "The Bad News"

- ◆ If Not For Federal Fiscal Relief We Would have Started FY 04 \$45 Million Short
- Federal Fiscal Relief is Non-Recurring Money
- Structural Imbalance Grows
- Potential Downward Revision to Revenue Estimates

Other States

- 39 States Faced Budget Shortfalls at Some Time During FY 03
- ◆ For Nearly Every State, FY 03 Was the 2nd Consecutive Year of Budget Problems
- Revenues Grew .7% Above FY 02 Levels. 11 States Collected Less in FY 03 Than in FY 02.
- Outlook for FY 04 is Grim
 - 31 States Cutting Spending
 - 29 States Tapping Rainy Day Funds
 - 23 States Reducing State Workforces
 - 8 States Using Tobacco Funds to Balance

Source: NCSL State Budget and Tax Actions 2003

FY 03 Road Fund Summary

Excess Revenues		\$4.8
Unbudgeted Lapses		<u>\$18.8</u>
Road Fund Surplus		\$23.6

Road Fund Surplus Expenditure Plan Provides for all Surplus to be Deposited into the State Construction Account

Budget Timeline

- July 23 Budget Instructions Distributed to State Agencies
- August 12 Consensus Forecasting Group Planning Report (FY 04 - FY 08)
- October 15 CFG Official Estimates (FY 04 FY 06)
- November 3 Agency Budget Requests Due
- November 4 Gubernatorial Election
- December 9 Inauguration Day
- January 27, 2004
 - CFG Revenue Revisions (If necessary)
 - Governor Introduces Executive Budget